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# Coffee County Commissioners vote to move to 4-Day, 10-Hour work schedule for county offices

motion Monday morning, Thursday," Morgan said. Aug. 12, during their regular meeting that will soon closed on Fridays.' move 'office' personnel for several county departments close the probate and revto a four-day-per-week work schedule.

to move county office per- ings in Elba and Enterprise come to the county officsonnel to a 4-day, 10-hour work schedule, effective September 30th," county administrator Rod Morgan said. "Beyond the county offices in New Brockton this will also include such offices as the county probate and revenue commissioner's offices."

ed by this change will work schedule could help Coffee end of September.

"Those offices will then be

enue commissioner offices "Commissioners voted 30th, the courthouse buildwill still be open on Fridays for court proceedings. Also, state ran offices such as the circuit court and probation offices will remain open.

> Morgan said a number Coffee County had already

County from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. County stay competitive in Commissioner approved a each Monday through the labor market by helping with employee recruitment and retention.

"In talking with people While the change will around the county, many either did not seem to care if we made this change or on Fridays beginning Sept. they said it would better serve them to be able to es either before or after work," Morgan said. "We feel this change will allow us to better serve our constituents."

Again, these office hour of counties surrounding changes will go into effect on Sept. 30th. Morgan said implemented the 4/10 work his office would continue schedule for their offices. to remind citizens of the "Those personnel affect- He said this change in work change leading up to the



Members of the Elba Volunteer Fire Department were dispatched Sunday afternoon, Aug. 11, just before 5 p.m. to a vehicle fire at 733 Williams Ave in Elba. As shown above, a Jeep Cherokee was a total loss to fire. The vehicle reportedly was unoccupied at the time of the fire. Elba Police also responded to the scene. It is unknown at this time what caused the fire.

# Elba's Burger accepted to attend Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering

by Linda Hodge, Editor

High school sophomore Kasen Burger aspires to one day be an aerospace engineer, and this school year he is taking a path that surely will help him achieve his goals as he leaves Elba and moves to Huntsville, Alabama to go to school as a student at the Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering (ASCTE).

ASCTE is the nation's only high school focused on the integration of cyber technology and engineering into all academic disciplines. Tuition is free to through a rigorous application process to be accepted.

Burger was one of only this school year. The application pool was around 1.000 students.

and have been going to ensuring the integrity of application process actuschool here since sixth national security, accord- ally began in January, and grade," Burger said. "I really like everybody here and it stinks that I am leavsense."

while at Elba City Schools, Burger said he has worked really hard in school and now it seems to be paying off for him.

in Founded ASCTE is a residential high school with faculty, many of whom are subject mom - my grandmother,



the school, but one must go Kasen Burger is shown sitting in front of the Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineeering school crest in Huntsville, Ala. where he is now a student.

educate and empower the a while before starting students with the charge to bridge the large gaps in the Burger said. "I came to Elba in 2020 cyber workforce further ing to ASCTE president Burger received notifica-Matt Massey.

ing but it is also good in a onward from our community, they are capable of An all "A" honor student thriving in a highly technical workforce and in higher education," Massey says.

The school originally opened in August 2020 ily, but everybody pretty with 70 freshmen and sophomores as students.

"[ASCTE] was introduced to us by my dad's

103 students admitted for matter experts, that seek to and we looked into it for the application process,

> The very tion just before May that "When students move he had been accepted for the 2024-2025 school year.

> > "I will be living up there for the most part and will be gone for about 90 percent of year, which means being away from my fammuch unanimously agreed it is the best option for

See ASCTE, Page 3

# Principal and vice principal spots at Kinston School held by two alums

Coffee County Schools superintendent Kelly Cobb believes nothing speaks more highly of a community or school than the return of alumni who seek to use their talents in the service of their alma mater and its future generations.

"While journeying beyond one's hometown is rightfully applauded as courageous and independent, a return to one's hometown often stems from maturity and gratitude," Cobb says. "A grateful heart seeks to serve; seeing students learn, grow, and be mentored by alumni illuminates the value of and appreciation for one's school. Alumni who seek to return to their alma mater have a vested interest in the mission and vision of their school."

While Kinston School, a part of the Coffee County School System, boasts a number of returning alumni who work in the school, the 2024-25 school year makes history not only for Kinston School but also for the Coffee County School System. For the first time, two school alums fill both leadership

positions at the school. Megan Driggers serves as principal while Shasta Barron is now the school's vice principal.

"It is a powerful experience to see alumni return to their educational roots to

Megan Driggers (left) serves as principal at Kinston while Shasta Barron is now the school's vice principal. Both are alumni of the school and happy to be working at

desire to return is fueled by a passion to invest in the next generation of students and build upon the legacy of their alma mater," said Cobb. "Alumni bring two things together as they return to serve their alma mater: new and innovative practices to enhance students' educational opportunities and the sense of family and community that students, both past and pres-

As students involved in multiple sports and extra- they are meant to be in life.

become teachers, coaches, curricular activities, Drigand staff members whose gers and Barron found themselves more often at Kinston School than they did at home. Now as the principal and assistant principal, they again find themselves in the same situation.

However, this time it's not their student journey that is unfolding, but the journey of the students they serve.

Both Driggers and Barron feel it is their fortunate honor to serve their "home," their alma mater, and play a small part in their students' journeys to becoming who

## Elba mayor meets with group to discuss EPA Community Change Grant of Mulberry Heights High

met with residents of the EPA Community Change Shiloh Community [locat- Grant. ed between Elba and New Brockton] and two members of the Texas Southern residents of the Mulberry

Elba Mayor Tom Maddox cuss the possibility of an

If approved, the grant would mainly impact the

While the Shiloh community is not a part of Elba, that community is also working on a Reconnecting Communities Grant, which is being spearheaded by Dr. Robert tor of the Bullard Center for

environmental justice.' Dr. Bullard is the direc-Environmental & Climate Justice at Texas Southern University. He has a powerful voice in Washington, D.C. and is eager to see

improvements in his home-

School and is recognized

nationwide as the 'father of

town of Elba. Dr. Bullard is the founding director of the Bullard Center for Environmental and Climate Justice and distinguished professor of urban planning and environmental policy at Texas Southern University.

## St. bridge project an emergency The Elba City Council west side approach to the voted Monday evening, bridge and found sub-

Elba City Council deems Davis

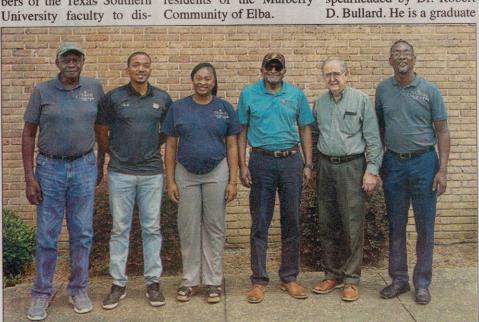
Aug. 12, to deem the project to repair the approach to the Street in the downtown area as an emergency project.

Engineers with Southern Engineering Solutions notified city leaders by letter that they had conducted field investigations of the

stantial erosion under the superstructure. The report Pea River bridge on Davis also noted the structural integrity of the asphalt had deteriorated to a point where a hole on the surface appeared.

It was determined the road could not handle traffic until repairs were made. The road at the bridge is currently closed.

In deeming the project an emergency, engineers can now seek quotes to repair the issue, which will allow for the road to be reopened in a more timely manner.



Those pictured (left to right) are: Willie Horstead Jr.; Steven Washington; Mary Myhand; Dr. Robert Bullard; Elba Mayor Tom Maddox; and Pastor Tim Williams.

The Elba Lions Club will meet Tuesday, Aug. 27, at 6 p.m. at the Elba Senior Center. The guest speaker will be Dr. Andrew Carter, Primary Eye Care of Elba. All members are asked to please attend.

**Area Happenings** 

# **EDITORIAL**

# Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2024, through Monday, Aug. 12, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center -

Tuesday, Aug. 6 -Suspicious person reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr (10:15 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 21120 Hwy 87 (11:59 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1118 Caroline St - w/warning issued (2:25 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1259 Neil Grantham Dr (8:14 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (9:21 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in five written warnings, and three citations.

Wednesday, Aug. 7 - Abandoned vehicle reported on First Ave (6:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1523 Caroline St (7:39 a.m.); Abandoned vehicle reported on First Ave (2:11 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 611. Claxton Ave N (3:49 p.m.);

Suspicious circumstances reported at 810 Cedar Lane Dr (7:45 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a written warning.

Thursday, Aug. 8 -Animal complaint reported at 921 Martin Luther King Dr (8:20 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 509 Claxton Ave N (1:59 p.m.); Missing person reported on Guyton St (4:23 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported in area of Jackson Ave and Martin Luther King Dr (8:18 p.m.); Burglary reported at 1451 Cherokee Lane (8:31 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Simmons St (8:35 p.m.); Report of shots fired in area of Jackson St and Martin Luther King Dr (8:41 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Davis St E - w/verbal warning (9:27 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in written

warnings. Friday, Aug. 9 - Animal complaint reported at 921 Martin Luther King Dr w/impound (11:34 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1018 Martin Luther King

Dr (2:25 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1018 Martin Luther King Dr (7:14 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Dollar General on the Troy Hwy - w/warning issued (10:00 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, three verbal warnings, one citation, and one assistance rendered.

Saturday, Aug. 10 -Verbal altercation reported at 921 Martin Luther King Dr (12:59 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 733 Williams Ave S (3:24 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 21120 Hwy 87 (1:39 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 14744 Hwy 87 (7:07 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 949 Hwy 203 - w/citation issued (9:33 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 517 Williams

Ave (10:03 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a written warning.

Sunday, Aug. 11 -Suspicious vehicle reported at 961 Hwy 203 (12:23 a.m.); Vehicle fire reported at 733 Williams Ave (4:52 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, and five citations.

Monday, Aug. 12 -Animal complaint reported at 420 Adkinson Ave (8:31 a.m.); Grass fire reported in area of 2592 Hwy 189 N and County Rd 352 (12:49 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1259 Neil Grantham Dr (1:51 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 230 Court Ave (9:45 p.m.); Abandoned vehicle reported at 707 Simmons St (11:00 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and one



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Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Editor

# Quzin Lou Lou's ales from Yonder Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be

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enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression For all those who think Sister is the prim and proper, quiet and sweet lady...well, Cuzin Lou Lou got video evidence over the weekend that she can throw a fit just

as good as anyone! The two were in the vehicle getting ready to drive over to meet some friends when Sister went in search of a hair pick in her purse. She just knew it was in the purse, but she could not

After digging a few minutes, Sister began to loudly express her frustration in not being able to find said hair pick. Based on Sister's fit pitching, Lou Lou knew the safest thing for her to do was to keep her mouth

shut, but that did not stop her from hitting the record button on her mobile

Once the pitching of the fit was over, Sister asked, "Did you just record me?"

"Yes, I did!" was Lou Lou's response.

She immediately replayed the 25 seconds captured on video, and even Sister had to laugh at herself for that outburst of emotion. Then, after letting Sister see the video, Lou Lou reached into her console and pulled out a hairbrush to assist Sister with her desire to 'fix' her

hair. Lou Lou later shared the video with a friend, and the first question was, "Did you have it?"

The answer was no. Lou Lou had not taken Sister

Turns out...even though Sister "just knew it was in ner purse" – in reality, it was in her suitcase back in the hotel room where the two were staying on their weekend trip. Sister finally shared that information with Lou Lou a day or two

Fast forward several days, and Lou Lou is still enjoying Sister's fit-pitching video! She has shared it with a few more friends, and all along she replays it for Sister just as a reminder! Sister just rolls her eyes when Lou Lou tells her she has shared the video with another person, and says, "you need to stop!" Not a chance! It's way too good!!

You cannot help but laugh when you see it, especially realizing just how out of character the scene is for Sister! Lou Lou has proclaimed that anytime she needs a good laugh from now on, she will just watch that video! It is a priceless jewel that she will now get to cherish for a good long time...much to Sister's dis-

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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City of Elba officials made the correct move Monday night in deeming and emergency the project to repair the approach to the Pea River Bridge on Davis Street in downtown Elba. Now, this may still take a while to get the actual work done because it won't be an easy fix, but at least everyone can rest well in knowing the city officials are actively working to get the repairs made so the road at the bridge can be opened again for use. While it is aggravating in the meantime for citizens to have to make the around town detour due to the closure, it is even more concerning for emergency personnel. The extra time it takes emergency responders to "go around" could mean the difference in life and death in certain situations...let's just hope no one has to test that between now and when the repairs are made so the road can be reopened to traffic across the bridge. Now, let's get some quotes in for the repairs, make a quick decision of what to go with, and get the repair work underway!

Last week, we had the privilege of meeting Kasen Burger, the young man we featured in a story on this week's front page. We did not know Kasen prior to our interview with him, but we left that session extremely impressed with him. It was clear in listening to his story that life has not always been easy for this young man, but he has not let that stop him from achieving big things. To see the smile from ear to ear on his face as he spoke of his opportunity to go to Alabama School of Cybertechnology and Engineering. We have no doubt that Kasen will work hard to reach his goals, and we look forward to keeping up with his progress as he continues his education at his new school. Elba City Schools will definitely miss Kasen, but we know all are rooting for his success.

The old Burger King building has been empty for quite a while now, and it definitely shows it. We shake our head each and every time we pass by, which is daily, and see the grass and weeds continue to grow higher and higher as the building is up for lease or sale. It has become quite the eyesore. There has to be a way to encourage the property owner and/or realtor to clean it up and make it more attractive. In its current state, the property does not held the appearance of the downtown area, and we can't imagine it being very attractive either to anyone interested in bringing new business to the location. We encourage city leaders to do what they can to force the issue and get this location cleaned up! This spot is way too visible to allow it to continue to look the way it does in the downtown area of Elba.

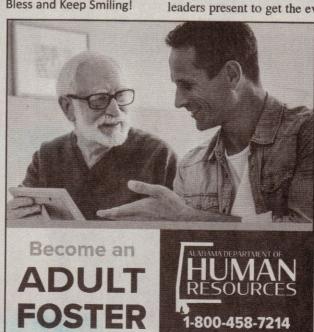
The start of high school football is just a week away! We know the local football teams, cheerleaders, and bands are ready to hit the field and show off their talent...and, the fans are ready to support their favorite team. We encourage you to fill those stands each and every week of the season to show these youngsters their efforts are appreciated by their community. We also pray for safety for all throughout this season. Good luck to all in our local area.

The Coffee County Baptist Association's Women on Missions group is sponsoring the annual Prayer Walk for Schools this upcoming Sunday afternoon (Aug. 18) across the county. This is not just a "Baptist" event. It is for anyone of any denomination to come and pray for the schools to have a blessed year. Prayer walks will be held at all city and county schools. While it is great to see the people of each respective community come out to pray for the schools, we also like to see the administrators, teachers, and students there as well. The prayer walk will begin at 4 p.m. on each school campus, and there will be prayer leaders present to get the event started.



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her parents, Bryant and

Lucille Cain; two sisters,

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Survivors include her daughter: Peggy (hus-

band Leon) Dean; two

grandchildren: Amy Dean-

Baumgartner, and Dow

Stricklin; great grandchil-

dren: Aaron Baumgartner, Caleb Baumgartner

and Joshua Dean; great

great-grandchildren: Lyla

Baumgartner, and Asher

Baumgartner; along with

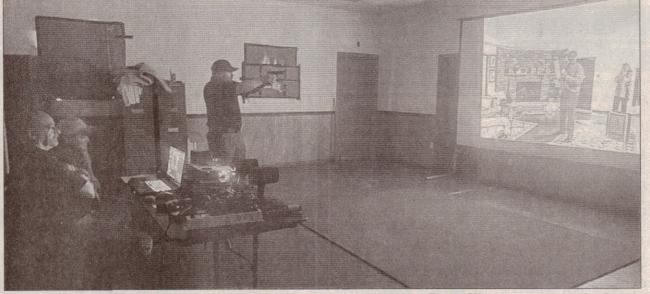
several nieces and neph-

Baumgartner,

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Blayke,

Lee Dean.



# Elba Police Officers utilize simulator for firearm training

The Elba Police Department recently utilized a firearm training simulator for its officers.

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The simulator was provided to the local police department by the Alabama Municipal Insurance Company, and Elba officers were able to train with it for a week using a multitude of potential 'real life' scenarios. Those scenarios the simulator put officers in ranged from traffic stops and domestic violence to hostage and terrorist attack situations.

Investigator Russ Young said the simulator provided very good training for officers in that it put them in shoot or

"We hope to utilize this equipment as much as possible to help keep our officers up-to-date with their training,"

We encourage

administrators, teachers,

and students to attend!

Above, Officer Cole Dean is shown training with the firearm simulator while Investigator Lt. Russ Young operates it from the computer to create varioius 'real life' scenarios for the officer.

me and my interests," he wants to take, and he feels away from his family, he and

"Overall, I think it is really good because they have one of highest state standards for AP tests and an average score of 30 on the ACT, which is big," Burger said. "I personally want a 35 or 36 on the ACT. I want to get

For now, he said his focus will be on doing the best he can at the school to achieve re-invitation each year until he graduates high school. All this will be based on his performance in standard behavior, work ethic, participation

Looking ahead, Burger

said. "While the school is focused on cyber technology and engineering, it is really good for about any career because it has a good college focus. I will live in a dorm, study independently, and be able to take more rigorous courses, which is going to be fun."

Burger said he will be doing 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade course work at the school while also taking courses in computer science, engineering, and beyond.

into a really good school."

and grades.

said he knows the path he

Dennis and Dow Stricklin;

being a student at ASCTE will help him tremendously in reaching those goals.

**MADELEINE STRICKLIN** 

2024, at Lu-

verne Health

She was

born on Au-

Center Luverne.

Georgia.

Rehab

Mrs. Madeleine Strick-

lin, age 95, of Luverne, Ala., died Sunday, Aug. 4,

gust 6, 1928, in Blakely,

Funeral services were

held Monday, Aug. 12,

2024, from the Chapel of

Hayes Funeral Home in

Elba, Ala., with Rev. Wesley

Hatcher officiating. Burial

followed in the Friendship

Baptist Church cemetery. Mrs. Stricklin was preced-

ed in death by her husband, Oneal Stricklin; two sons,

going military and doing college simultaneously," he said. "Then, I plan on going into a field in aerospace either building or designing planes." Over the course of the

school year, and much to his and his family's relief, Burger will be able to come home and visit occasionally with his family, including will be an adjustment to be Elba.

they agree it is a sacrifice worth making for them all.

Having the support he has "I personally plan on received from his family has only increased the smile on his face that formed when he learned he would be going to the Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering.

"I am really happy about this school and what it has to offer," Burger said. "I have been smiling big since we learned I was accepted."

Kasen is the son of Chris holidays. While he says it and Rebbecca Davis of

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# **LEGAL NOTICES:**

COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA CA No. CV-2024-900056

Cottonwood, LLC

Plaintiff, A 0.89± acre parcel of land being a part of the SW 1/4 of the SW ¼ Section 24, T1N, R19E, Geneva County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the North Line of the above said SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 with the west right of way line of Alabama Highway 153, said point being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the North Line of the above said SW 1/4 of the SW ¼ with the west right of way line of Alabama Highway 153, said point being an existing iron rod: Thence 28°49'15"W 180.68' along the West line of said Highway 153 to a set iron pipe: Thence N 89°25'17'W 210.00' to a set iron pope: Thence N 28°48'38'E

201.00' to a set iron pipe on

CIRCUIT said SW 1/4 of SW 1/4: Thence S 89°25'17"E 210.00' along said North line to the Point of Beginning. Defendant.

> NOTICE OF ACTION DANA EARL MITCHEM and any and all unknown parties who may have an interest in the above property and whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Cottonwood, LLC's Petition to Quiet Title and other relief by Sept. 16, 2024, or, thereafter, a judgment and default may be rendered against them in Case Number 34-CV-2024-900056 of the Circuit Court of Geneva County, Alabama.

DONE the 12th day of August, 2024. /s/ Ashley A Powell Clerk of Circuit Court of Geneva County

Al Danner Attorney for Cottonwood, LLC PO Box 33 Geneva, AL 36340 (334) 684-9816

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# **LEGAL NOTICES:**

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THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE F. FEAGIN, Deceased. CASE NO. PR-2024-133

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Martha F. Kent, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Anne F. Feagin, deceased, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R.

Thompson, NOTICE IS GIVEN that all persons hav- of ing claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/1,8&15-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY **ALABAMA** THE MATTER OF JOHN HINSON, Deceased. Case No.: 24-793

NOTICE **PUBLICATION** 

Testamentary Letters were granted to VEDA LARAINE CLARK on the 23rd day of July, 2024. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

VEDA LARAINE CLARK Personal Representative David F. Holmes, Attorney P.O. Box 1180 Slocomb, AL 36375 334-886-3123 8/1,8&15-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The estate of SHIRLEY RILEY WOODHAM, Deceased. Case No.: 24-792

NOTICE OF HEARING TO OPEN ESTATE

Clayton M. Woodham, homas Evan Babcock and John Babcock, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Personal Representative for the Estate of Shirley Riley Woodham, based upon the petition for probate of will and other relief filed by said Petitioner by the 28th day of August, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., or, thereafter, Letters of Testamentary will be granted to Wesley Earl Woodham. Done this 23rd day of July,

2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay Toby Seay, Judge of Probate /s/ Preston Register Preston Register (REG 001) Attorney for Estate 256 Honeysuckle Rd, Suite

Dothan, Alabama 36305 (334) 678-0100 8/1,8,15&22-chg.

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ELBA DIVISION** 

SEAN LUIS VALDEZ TOLENTIONO, PLAINTIFF,

NHU VO MINH HUYNH, DEFENDANT.

CASE NO: DR-2024-900015.00

OF **PUBLICATION** To: NHU VO MINH HUYNH. You are hereby notified that

a Complaint for Annulment has been filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, (Elba Division) 8/8,15&22-pd.

against you and you are required to appear and plead to or answer the same within (30) days of the last publication, which will be the 22nd day of August 2024, or thereafter a default may be rendered against you. This the 25th day of July 2024.

/s/ Amy Reeves / S Harrison · Amy Reeves, Circuit Clerk Coffee County, Alabama 8/1,8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

**HEREBY** In the Matter of the Estate LATRICIA P. BASS

A/K/A **CLAUDETTE LATRICIA** BASS, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-135

NOTICE OF **APPOINTMENT** 

Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Latricia P. Bass a/k/a Claudette Latricia Bass having been granted to Wendy N. Taylor as Personal Representative on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge 8/1,8&15-pd. THE PROBATE

COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ELBA DIVISION** IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

CHARLES DONALDSON, Deceased. CASE NO. PC 2024-038

Letters Testamentary having been granted to Janies Smith Donaldson, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles C. Donaldson, deceased, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson. NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that all persons Wesley Earl Woodham, having claims against the Petitioner to be named as said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be /s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Judge of Probate 8/1,8&15-pd. THE PROBATE

COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CARLOWEN RICHTER, Deceased. CASE NO.: PC 2024-036

NOTICE **CREDITORS** TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted on July 30, 2024, to Georgia Richter and Jonathan Richter, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Carl Owen Richter, deceased, who departed this life on or about the 14th day of November, 2014, by the Hon. Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of Probate. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required

to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Griffin Shirley, Esq. (SHI032) Attorney for Petitioners

Shirley Law Firm 431 North Court Avenue Post Office Box 408 Elba, Alabama 36323 Telephone (334) 897-5775 Facsimile (334) 897-2304

# **Public Notice**

The Elba City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 26, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at Elba City Hall 200 Buford Street Elba, AL

To Consider A Change in Zoning From **B-2** Commercial to R-4 Residential Located at 829 and 835 Troy Highway Elba, Al Parcel Numbers: 19 11 03 08 2 002 057 000 19 11 03 08 2 002 056 000

8/15,22-chg.

THE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

STEPHENIE RENEE HERNANDEZ Plaintiff,

JULIO HERNANDEZ Defendant.

Domestic Relations Division Civil Action # DR-2024-900122 Judge JWK

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Julio Hernandez, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Stephenie Hernandez's Renee Compliant by September 6, 2024 or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. DR-2024-900122, in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Dated this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024. /s/ Amy L. Reeves Circuit Clerk Coffee County, Alabama Brogden Law Firm, LLC Robert H. Brogden, Esq. Attorney at Law 164 East College Street Ozark, Alabama 36360 334-774-5171 Attorney for Stephenie Renee Hernandez

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ELBA DIVISION** 

8/8,15,22&29-chg.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD WAYNE HAYWOOD, Deceased. CASE NO.: PC 2024-039

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** 

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Tim Sullivant, as Administrator of the Estate of Richard TAKE NOTICE that deceased, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024, by Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate for Coffee County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/8,15&22-pd.

STATE OF ALABAMA **GENEVA COUNTY** 

NOTICE OF LEGAL PERMANENT CHANGE OF VOTING PLACE OF PRECINCT NUMBER 11, BOX NUMBER 1

This is legal notice that Geneva County Commission has permanently changed the voting place of Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, beginning with the 2024 Statewide general election to be held on November 5, 2024, from the Joy Life Center, 177 East Baxley Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, to the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Spring Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, because the Joy Life Center is privately owned and it sold to another private owner, and Geneva County does not have a lease agreement with the new owner. All voters in Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, shall vote at the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Spring Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318, beginning with the 2024 Statewide general election to be held on November 5, 2024. At all future elections after November 5, 2024, voters in Precinct Number 11, Box Number 1, shall continue to vote at the Coffee Springs Senior Citizens Center, 195 East Spring Street, Coffee Springs, Alabama 36318. DONE AND DATED this the 8th day of July, 2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay TOBY L. SEAY

Geneva County Probate Judge 8/8,15,22&29-chg.

MORE LEGAL **NOTICES ON PAGE 5** 

# **LEGAL NOTICES** (con't from Page 4)

**PUBLIC NOTICE** STATE OF ALABAMA COFFEE COUNTY FORE-MORTGAGE **CLOSURE NOTICE** 

WHEREAS, on the 4th T. Knight, did execute and deliver to Habitat for Humanity of Coffee County, Alabama, Inc., a mortgage which was recorded in OF-FREC Book 675, Pages 18-30, on certain real estate herein described, which mortgage appears of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, and WHEREAS default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that R. real estate mortgage, and said default continuing, said Mortgage is now subject to foreclosure. NOW THERE-FORE, notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise, Alabama, between the legal hours of sale on September 25th 2024, the following described real estate, to wit: Lot 3, Fuller Village, as shown on plat of same as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 372, Office of the Judge of Probate, Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama.

Property address for in-Johnson St., Enterprise, AL

Said sale and conveyance will also be made subject to the legal rights of existing Federal Tax Liens, and/ or Special Assessments, if any, which might adversely affect title to the subject property. Such sale will be made as provided in said mortgage for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage with interest thereon, and amounts required to be paid for taxes, insurance or other charges provided in said mortgage, and the expenses of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

This property will be sold on an "as id, where is" basis subject to any easements, encumbrances and exceptions contained in said mortgage and those contained in the records of the Office of ENTERPRISE DIVISION the Judge of Probate whereabove-described property is situated. Said property will be sold without warranty or recourse expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. This sale is subject to postponement of cancellation.

HABITAT FOR HUMAN-ITY OF COFFEE COUN-TY, ALABAMA, INC. BY: /s./ Charles H. Ellzey,

THE LAW OFFICES OF CHARLES H. ELLZEY,

ATTORNEY FOR HABI-TAT FOR HUMANITY OF **COFFEE COUNTY** 8/1,8&15-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE ESTATE OF Hobson Eugene Walden

Alleged non compos men-CASE NO.: PR-2024-129

NOTICE PUBLICATION APPOINTING TEMPORARY

GUARDIANSHIP LEE RICHARD WALDEN whose address is unknown. You will hereby take notice, that on this day, Hobson Eugene Walden, Jr., filed with this Court his Petition For Temporary Guardianship and Conservatorship of the above name person, Hobson

Eugene Walden, Sr.

You are notified to be and appear before me, at my office in the Courthouse of said County and State at 9:00 a.m. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, when the petition will be considered, and show, if anything you have to allege, why the peti-tioner should not be granted Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship of said, Hobson Eugene Walden, Sr. Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July,

2024. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson HON. JODEE THOMPSON Probate Judge Coffee County, Alabama 8/8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

day of June, 2014, Audrea In the Matter of the Estate VIRGINIA H. TYSON,

Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-140

NOTICE **APPOINTMENT** Letters of Administration for the Estate of Virginia H. Tyson having been granted to Earlie Johnson, Jr., Personal Representative, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024,

by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of

August, 2024. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

MATTER ESTATE THE OF THE formational purposes: 116 OF ANNETTE SIMS, deceased. CASE NO. PR 2024-142

> TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Larry Tidwell as Administrator of the Estate of Annette Sims, deceased, on the 5th day of August, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson,

> NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Jimmy C. Tomberlin, Deceased.

CASE NO.: PR-2024-138

**APPOINTMENT** Letters Testamentary of Tomberlin, deceased, having been granted to Beverly Hurley Hill, Personal Representative, on the 31<sup>St</sup> day of July, 2024, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama Richard W. Whittaker, Attorney 300 E. Lee Street Enterprise, AL 36330 (334) 393-5146 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIE CHANCEY, Deceased. **CASE NO. PR 2024-137** 

TAKE NOTICE that Testamentary Letters having been granted to Dianne Evans, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Marie Chancey, deceased, on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons

having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate 8/8,15&22-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

BONNIE JACKSON, DECEASED. CASE NO.: PR-2024-136

TO NOTICE FILE

**CLAIMS** Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Bonnie Ruth Jackson, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 31st day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred. /s/ Alexander Montgomery

Jackson Alexander Montgomery Jackson Personal Representative 8/8,15&22-pd.

In the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama

In Re: the Matter of Betty Hendrickson Case No. 2024-772

NOTICE FOR **PUBLICATION** Thomas Daniel Hendrickson, who is hereby given notice that a Petition for Guardianship has been filed regarding Betty Hendrickson, in the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, and this hearing is set for the 4<sup>th</sup> day of

2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge

Sept., 2024, at 10:00 A.M. Done this 1<sup>St</sup> day of August,

Attorney for Geneva County Department of Human Resources Alfred J. Danner P.O. Box 33 Geneva, Alabama 36340 8/8,15&22-chg.

THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of WAYNE **JIMMY** ANDERSON. Deceased. Case No. 24-796

NOTICE APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY **ADMINISTRATRIX** OF THE STATE **ALABAMA GENEVA COUNTY** 

In the Matter of the Estate of Jimmy Wayne Anderson, Deceased.

Letters of Administration of said Deceased having been granted to Margaret Marie Somerford, Administratrix, on the 31st day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Done and dated this the 31st day of July, 2024. /s/ Toby L. Seay Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate.

Attorney for Estate: David W. Rousseau, Esq. Post Office Box 10 801 W. Main Suite 4 Hartford, AL 36344 (334) 588-3333 (334) 588-0046 (fax) 8/8,15&22-pd.

STATE OF ALABAMA, GENEVA COUNTY.

NOTICE OF FORECLO-SURE

Default having been made under the terms and conditions of that certain mortgage dated the 28th day of November, 2022, executed by Luis Alberto Alvarez Flores to William Nathan Mathis, a married man, which said mortgage is recorded in OR Book 1176, Page 398, recorded November 28th, 2022, and said default continuing, the undersigned has elected to declare the entire indebtedness secured by said mortgage to be due and payable as provided in said mortgage, and notice is hereby given, that pursuant to law and the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Geneva County Courthouse in Ge-

RUTH neva, Alabama, during the include the following: aplegal sale hours on the 3rd day of September, 2024, the following described real estate, situated in Geneva County, Alabama, to-wit:

One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC as per plat dated October 19, 2022 and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576 marking the Northwest corner of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N85°37'29"E for a distance of 678.08 feet to an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576; thence S00°36'50"E for a distance of 543.30 feet to an iron pin set (1/2" rebar, cap #CA 1143) on the Northwest Right of Way (R/W) line of Bethesda Church Road (not paved); thence along said R/W line, along a curve to the riving having a radius of 4975.00 feet and an arc length of 193.43 feet with a chord bearing and distance of S61°19'39"W, 193.42 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576; thence continue along said R/W line S62°26'29"W for a distance of 579.31 feet to an existing ½" rebar, cap #28576: thence leaving said R/W line, N00°13'29"E for a distance of 852.52 feet to the POINT OF BEGIN-NING. Said land is located in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and contains 10.91 acres, more

Said property will be sold "AS IS." Said property will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. No representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is made as to the title of said property. Said property is subject to any title deficiencies including but not limited to: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of recorded superior to the Mortgage first set above. The debt secured by said

Mortgage has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Mortgage. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in said Mortgage and by Alabama law. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation. Alabama law gives some persons who have interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

The proceeds of the sale will be applied, first to the expenses of advertising and conducting said sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee, for legal services as provided in such mortgage; second, to the payment of any debt other than the note above described which may then be due or owing to the Mortgagee, with interest to the date of sale; third, to the payment of the above described note with the interest thereon to the date of sale; forth, the surplus, if any, shall be paid to the Mortgagor.

/s/ Alfred J. Danner Alfred J. Danner, Attorney for Mortgagee P.O. Box 33 Geneva, AL 36340 8/8,15&22-chg.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of SEWER COL-LECTION SYSTEM GRIFFIN HENDRIX AVE; CWS-RF CS010936-01 will be received by Geneva Water Works and Sewer Board until Friday, August 23rd, 2024, at 10:30 a.m., and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud. Principal items of work

proximately 6,000 linear feet of 8-inch gravity sewer main, 20 manholes, a duplex grinder pump station, 2,500 linear feet of 2-inch force main and miscellaneous appurtenances.

Plans and Specifications may be examined at Geneva Water Works and Sewer Board; P. O. Box 370; Ge-

neva, Alabama 36340. To be eligible for consideration, bids must be submitted on complete proposals made available by the Owner. Complete digital project bidding documents are available upon an online payment of a non-refundable fee of \$40.00 by visiting our website - www. southernengineeringsolutions.com and clicking the 'Currently Bidding" link at the top of the page. A free one-time membership registration with Quest CDN will be required. Please contact questcdn.com at 952-233-1632 or info@ questcdn.com if you require assistance in registration, downloading, or working with this digital project information. Optional complete paper bid documents are available at Southern Engineering Solutions, Inc.; PO Box 610; 201 East Troy Street; Andalusia, Alabama 36420, upon payment of a refundable (if plans are returned in reusable condition within 10 days of bid opening) deposit of \$80.00. Bid documents will be mailed only upon receipt of deposit. If paper option is chosen, checks shall be made payable to Southern Engineering Solutions, Inc. No paper bid documents will be distributed later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled opening of bids.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informali-

Each bidder must submit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. The successful bidder will be required to submit a 100% performance bond and a 50% payment bond. Each bidder must be licensed as a Contractor in the State of Alabama in accordance with provisions of Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Code of Alabama, 1985, and must submit with his bid satisfactory evidence of

Kayleigh Austin, Manager Geneva Water Works and Sewer Board 8/15-chg.

such license. Bidders will

not be required to prequal-

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ALBERT JOSEPH BUCHINSKY, JR., DECEASED. **CASE NO. 8597** 

NOTICE

**CREDITORS** Letters Testamentary on the estate of said deceased, Albert Joseph Buchinsky, Jr., having been granted to Charles W. Fleming, Jr., on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Probate Judge of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. (FLE005) Attorney for Petitioner

Charles W. Fleming, Jr. Post Office Box 758 Geneva, Alabama 36340 8/15,22&29-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT COFFEE COUNTY, **ALABAMA** 

IN RE THE ESTATE OF: MAURICE FRANKLIN LAW, JR. DECEASED CASE NO.: PR-2024-144

NOTICE OF COURT **PROCEEDINGS** 

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Sally S. Law on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024, and that 30 days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to law the Court shall be requested to enter and order directing summary distribution of said estate of decedent.

/s/ Jodee Thompson Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate

Attorney: H. Warren Cobb, Jr., Esq. Post Office Box 2047 Dothan, Alabama 36302 (334) 677-1000 Telephone (334) 699-3500 Facsimile 8/15-pd.

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** State of Alabama **County of Coffee** Probate Court Case No.: PR-2024-139

In the Matter of the Estate of Willie Lee Sanders, deceased.

Letters of Administration on the estate of said decedent having been granted to Ed Parish, Jr. on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024, by the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly sworn to, in the Probate Court of said county within the time allowed by law or else will be forever barred. Ed Parish, Jr.

Administrator/Personal Representative of the Estate of Willie Lee Sanders, deceased

The Parish Law Firm 323 Adams Avenue (36104) Post Office Box 52 Montgomery, AL 36101-0052 (334) 263-0003 (334) 263-0032 Fax 8/15,22&29-pd.

THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ENTERPRISE DIVISION** 

IN RE: ESTATE OF DAVID TAYLOR YOUNG DECEASED

CAUSE NO. PR-2024-094 NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO OPEN

**INTESTATE ESTATE** You will please take notice that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2024, a certain instrument in writing, titled Petition to Open Intestate Estate was filed by Marcia Young, the surviving spouse of David Taylor Young and that the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2024, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. was appointed the day for the hearing of the same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise Division, Alabama at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.

Done, this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Jodee R. Thompson Probate Judge 8/15,22&29-pd.

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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Housing Authority of the City of Samson has developed the Five-Year/Annual Agency Plans, and Five-Year Capital Fund Program budgets, for Fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025 in compliance with current HUD regulations. It is available for review at the Authority's Office located at 12 N. Wise St., Samson, AL. Office hours are Monday - Thursday, 7:30AM and 5:00PM, and Friday 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM.

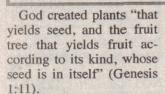
A public hearing will be held on September 24, 2024 at the Authority's office at 3:45 PM.

# **CHURCH NEWS**

Jack Assembly of God plans

# What does the Bible say about... Seed?

Article written by Douglas Williams



After Adam and Eve had yielded to Satan's temptation to eat of the forbidden fruit, God placed a curse on Satan, and then said, "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel" (Genesis 3:15).

"The seed is the word of God" (Luke 8:11).

Of the many times the Bible refers to seed, it is usually in the literal sense pertaining to seeds that are sowed or planted, especially during the springtime. But the Bible also refers to seed as it pertains to descendants. This is especially shown in God's promise to Abraham that through his seed or descendants all nations of the earth would be blessed (Genesis 12:1-3; 22:18). Jesus was a descendant of Abraham and 20:28; Romans 16:16).

the Bible clearly tells us that Jesus was that Seed that would provide salvation and all spiritual blessings for us (Galatians 3:16; Acts 3:25-26).

The Bible also refers to God's word as seed (Luke 8:11). And Peter referring to the teaching of Jesus about the new birth states, "Having been born again, not of corruptible seed, but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever" (1 Peter 1:23).

Every seed produces after its own kind. Jesus spoke about sowing seed in His parables. He said the hearts of men represent different kinds of soil, and our hearts should be the good soil that will accept, obey, and live by the seed which is the word of God.

God's word, as seed, will produce the same thing today as it did in the New Testament days, and that is Christians who are members of the church of Christ (Matthew 16:18;

# Annual business meeting held for Zoar Cemetery

Bob Bush, DVM

**Veterinary Express of Lake Martin** 

Small Animal Medicine & Surgery

334-343-0408

Intersection of Claxton Ave & Simmons St

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Elba Clinics: Aug. 28 & Sept. 11

The annual business ones or friends buried in meeting for Zoar Cemetery was held Saturday, July 27 at 10 a.m. in the Morrow Hall building, located on Coffee County Road 331.

Individuals from nearby and faraway, who attended the meeting, enjoyed both fellowship and visiting gravesites. A financial report was given and project work outlined for Elba, AL 36323 2024-2025.

Anyone with loved appreciated.

the secretary, Jo Hodge, at 3631 County Rd. 306,

Zoar Cemetery, who did not attend the meeting, is urged to contribute to the upkeep of the cemetery by personal and financial support. Contributions may be made to the Zoar Cemetery Association Inc. and can be mailed to

All assistance will be

# Aug. 18 Homecoming service Jack Assembly of God Church, located at 2200 County

Rd. 208, Jack, Ala., will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, Aug. 18, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Jimmy and Marie Eddins will minister in word and song during the services. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# **Prayer Walk for Schools**

THE COFFEE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WILL HOST THE ANNUAL PRAYER WALK FOR OUR SCHOOLS ON SUNDAY, AUG. 18, AT 4 P.M. ALL ARE INVITED TO GO TO THE SCHOOL OF CHOICE IN COFFEE COUNTY TO PRAY FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

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COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA **ELBA DIVISION** 

CASE NO.: PC-2024-035

IN RE: THE MATTER OF RANDOLPH CALDWELL. Respondent.

**NOTICE OF HEARING** To: TUNISHA THIGPEN, LORRAINE DIAZ, and other children of Randolph Caldwell

You are hereby given notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship has been filed by Eloisa Regidor.

THE PROBATE The 1st day of October, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. has been appointed the day for the hearing of the same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division, Alabama, at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson Hon. Jodee R. Thompson Probate Judge Coffee County, Alabama 8/15,22&29-chg

**Worship** at the Church of **Your Choice!** 

#### LEGAL NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ELBA PROPOSED REDISTRICTING PLAN

Notice is given that the Elba City Council will meet in public session and conduct a public hearing at 5:15 p.m. on September 9, 2024 in the Council Chambers in the Elba City Hall, located at 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama 36323, for the purpose of considering proposed changes to the City Council's voting district boundaries. A copy of the proposed ordinance and voting district map is available for public review through September 9, 2024, at the office of the City Clerk during normal business hours. Notice is further given that anyone interested in being heard on this matter may do so by attending and speaking at the scheduled public hearing or by giving written comments addressed to the City of Elba, RE: Redistricting, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL 36323. Written comments must be received prior to 5:00 p.m. on September 9, 2024.

8/15,22,29&9/5-chg.

# ROUND AND ABOUT w/Eria's Daughter 334-282-2200



Scripture: Psalm 23:

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Lynsey Manning Hill, Charles Baby (aka Bubby) Woodfolk, Sabrina Thomas, Carolyn Georgia Lawrence, Nelson, Sharron Fitch, Mary J. Kelley, Bettye Refregee, Orangig White

August Birthdays / **Anniversaries** Sabrina Reed 8/12 Calvin Tyson 8/14 Catheryn Carpenter 8/15 Tammie D. Knight 8/15 Otis and Joyce B. Johnson 8/15 W.A. Jeffery Starks 8/15 Jimmie N. Smith 8/15 Missy Berry 8/17 Ree'Nita Brooks 8/17 Victori Edwards 8/18 Isaac Nelson 8/18

**A Famous Name** 

A suburban homeowner got to thinking one day about all the people who served him who were not really known to him. He didn't know the name of the policeman, the fireman, the man who delivered his newspaper, or the man who picked up his trash. He decided to remedy that.

One day he stopped the garbage man and introduced himself. The garbage man did likewise and said, "My name is Albert Einstein." The man responded, "That's a very famous name."

The trash collector replied, "Well, it should be. I've been collecting the trash on this street for 10 years!" No name is more widely known than the name of Jesus. No name is more honored than the name of Jesus. Even many who do not believe His claims pay a certain amount of homage to His name and His character.

It always surprises us to Eria's Daughter, Sue

visit a country like Mexico and see people whose first name is Jesus (pronounced Hay-soose). In Jesus' day, however, the name Jesus was as common as John or Joe is to us today. Jesus took an ordinary name and gave it extraordinary significance.

Is this not what Jesus has done for us? He has taken our ordinary, commonplace lives and given them extraordinary meaning. He loved us when we were dead in our sins and died "the death of the cross" for us. His name deserves to be remembered, honored, and praised - by our words and by our lives. - - R.C.S.

#### Question Answer Section Week of 8/15/24

Q: King Ahab asked Micaiah about going into battle at a certain city. Which one? (Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Ramoth-Gilead)

A: Ramoth-Gilead [I King 22:12]

Q: Which King of Judah was with Ahab on this occasion? (Jehoshaphat, David, Adam)

A: Jehoshaphat [I King 22:10]

Q: What were Ahab and Jehoshaphat dressed in? A: Ahab and Jehoshaphat dressed in their Royal Robes [I King 22:10]

Questions for the Week of 8/22/24

Q: Whom did Phillip ask, "Understandest thou what thou readest?' Q: Who said - Why tempt

ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples? Q: In a vision, Paul saw a man from \_\_\_\_\_

Q: Who is described as a seller of purple from Thyatira?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.



IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship....11:00 a.m Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m

ABUNDANT LII CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship. . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service .7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST Will Jordan, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. BETHEL AME CHURCH

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m. BETHLEHEM BAPTIST

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even Worship . . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays . 9:00 a.m. Sunday School .... 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School ....10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night. . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

**COVENANT COMMUNITY** CHURCH

CHURCH
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship. 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship. . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the
Week & meal . . . 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer . . . 6:15
p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00

Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m. EANON BAPTIST Mark Ward, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST** Bible Study . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.

Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m. **ELBA CHURCH OF GOD** 

David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night ... 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night ... 7:00 p.m. ELBA DELIVERANCE

TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Billy Janes, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 6:30 p.m. **ELBA FIRST BAPTIST** 

CHURCH Kit Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Services . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.

# **Church Directory**

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY CHURCH Phillip Adcock, Pastor Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. 1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor

Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m. FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST

Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH GRACE FELLOWSHIP

John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m. HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

METHODIST CHURCH Morn. Worship . . . . 8:45 a.m.

Wed. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m

Glenwood, AL 

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH Danny Branch, Pastor Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Heath Fountain, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.

Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.

Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn, Worship . . .11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays MT. GILEAD BAPTIST

Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Olan Strickland, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

OF GOD Tom & Barbara Davis, Interim Pastors

Sunday School . . . 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Time . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m. 

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH Hubert McWaters, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Disciple Train . . . . 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship. . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m. NEW BROCKTON
METHODIST CHURCH
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m **NEW GLORIOUS COGIC** NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Allen Dieas, Pastor Sunday School . . . ,9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m. NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY

OF GOD CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

To Update Your Church Listing, call us at (334) 897-2823!

NEW HOPE CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Lorearl Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st, - 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNIT-ED METHODIST CHURCH Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEM-**BLY OF GOD - SAMSON** PRAISE & GLORY

WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 6:30 p.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH CHORCH
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST 

SHADY GROVE AME James Boots, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILLCOMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m. CHURCH OF JESUS CHARLE Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship . . . 12 noon Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. Even. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon. . . 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m. Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba Max Reed, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . . 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH James Preachers, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m. VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH CHURCH
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship ... 7:00 p.m. VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.

Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m. WESTSIDE BAPTIST 

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Lucas Taylor, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p. m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY WISE MILL ASSEMBLE OF GOD Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

WOOTEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even Service 5:00 p.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

# **SPORTS NEWS**

Views From he Pressbox By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Well, the first week of the school year is in the books and everyone survived as Melanie made sure all her students were in the right classes, Melissa began the task of getting her students in condition in PE and preparing her volleyball teams for the coming season, Lawson had to change his nightly schedule to make sure he gets up on time in the morning, Kathy began her once a week trips back to Ozark to babysit and this ole Granddaddy was back behind the wheel of his school bus. Wow, I guess no matter how old you are school never ends!

#### For what it is worth...

\*\*\* The Elba Tigers were ranked number one in Class 1A in last week's preseason sportswriters poll, and while being ranked #1 is every team's goal, the preseason poll hasn't been kind to the Tigers, as in the five previous preseason polls they were ranked atop the poll they failed to live up to the expectations. Elba did win 10 games in both 1990 and 2016 after starting out on top, but the other three times it started on top its combined record was 20-13. The Tigers have gotten a lot of ink already this season, due primarily to the publicity surrounding running back Alvin Henderson, and with all the preseason hype will no doubt have a big bullseve on their back in every game. The best way for Elba not to hear the 'over-rated' chants from the other side of the field is to win'em all, and that is no easy task

While on the subject of preseason high school football news, the Alabama High School Football Historical Society (AHSFHS) released an article last week that reported the Elba Tigers have the most difficult schedule in the state among 1A teams. The factor that put the Tigers atop the list was that they play 2A foes Luverne, Glenwood School and Goshen, in non-region action. Elba ranked second in a AHSFHS list of consistent winners over the past 14 years with a 141-34 record, just behind Maplesville with a 158-26 record, while the Tigers ranked tenth in wins over the last 25 years with a record of 199-94, with Brantley coming out on top with a 265-59 slate. I know there are a lot of Internet sites that publish articles, and you have to take each for what they are worth, but they all fun to read.

\*\*\* I have been talking to a lot of high school football fans and reading all the preseason reports about the teams in the area, and if the outlooks are correct it looks like an exciting season ahead for all the fans. New Brockton is excited and confident about the season and feels like this will be the year the Gamecocks make it back to the playoffs, while Kinston is confident heading into the season after a big win in its spring game and is looking for a winning season, Zion Chapel is in the third year of its rebuild and believes the construction is almost complete for the program, and Brantley returns almost everybody off last year's team and can't wait to reclaim is spot atop the region standings. Yep, it's going to be a fun season.

\*\*\* One day last week I read an article online about improbable Olympic events in which Alabamians would time 1A 'Back of the Year' be favored to win gold medals. 'Driving' events included the fastest spin to reach a boiled peanut stand on the other side of the road, successfully navigating a round-about without anyone running through the yield sign, and my local favorite - dodging pot holes. 'Bug-related' events included fire ant dancing, gnat swatting and catching lightning bugs. 'Sponsored' events included Bass Pro Shop fish tank swimming, Walmart cart racing and the ever present Dollar General obstacle course. 'Food' events included watermelon seed spitting, cornbread eating contest and grits slurping. 'Weather' events included barefoot 100-yard dash on hot asphalt and reading the weather radar. Hey, who needs a pommel horse when we have unlimited kudzu?

\*\*\* In closing.... The once powerful NCAA apparently bought a set of false teeth last week and went after former Michigan head coach Jim Harbaugh for a number of rules violations he was accused of last season with the Wolverines. The NCAA knew about the accusations throughout the season a year ago, but had to wait until Michigan won the national title and Harbaugh had the chance to get out of town before it made a decision and made anyone upset. The punishment for the former college coach included a four-year show-cause order that bans Harbaugh from coaching in college until 2028, while the university received three years of probation as well as a fine and recruiting limitations. The NCAA's ruling so upset the folks at Michigan that they made him the honorary captain for the Wolverines home opener this season against Fresno State. It is time for the NCAA to put the wheels in motion to disband and just let what used





# Tigers on prowl for state title

The Elba Tigers have been one of the winningest school football teams in the state in the last three years in rolling to an impressive 34-4 record. However, the Tigers haven't seen their success continue in the post-season and during that three-year span has struggled to post a 5-3 record in the playoffs. With another banner season expected in 2024, there can be no doubt the Tigers are focused on finishing strong and claiming their first state title since 2015!

"There is no doubt our kids are hungry to win a state championship after the last three years and getting so close last season," stated Coach Marc Sieving, in his fifth year at Elba. "Our kids want a state title."

"We know the key to being successful again this season is to take it one game at a time and to work hard and improve each and every week," added Sieving. "That was the key to our success last season, and while we all know have a lot of work ahead and will have a target on our back every week, our players are hungry and their expectation is to win it all."

Elba's success on the gridiron the last three seasons has centered around the play of twoand Auburn commit Alvin Henderson. Last season, practically Henderson rewrote the AHSAA football record book as he rushed for 3,523 yards and 61 touchdowns, both records, as well as setting records for most total touchdowns (67) and points scored in a season (408), and tying the record for most touchdowns accounted for (68). During his career at Elba, Henderson has rushed for 7,274 yards, scored 132 touchdowns rushing, accounted for 141 total touchdowns and scored

"Alvin is hungry to win state championship," said Coach Sieving. "That is what he wants for Elba, his teammates and our fans. That is the same for every player on our team, they want to win for Elba. Alvin has played a huge role in our recent success and I admire the work he has put in to keep improving on every aspect of his game. He is a hard worker and a



ELBA TIGER SENIORS - #1 Jerrod Anderson, #33 Dominic Griffin, #61 Logan Horton, #8 Jaden Robinson, #11 Jacob Ledbetter, #75 Elijah Myrick-Davidson, #10 Cayden Adkins, #62 Emanuel Cooks, #6 Jacob Watkins, #2 Alvin Henderson, #15 Brady Johnson, #59 Jordan Hammonds.

leader, and wants to bring home a state title to Elba."

Another player the Tigers are looking for to have a banner season is Cayden Adkins, a Georgia State commit. In 11 games last season, Adkins rushed for 1,023 yards and eight touchdowns on just 78 carries, while on defense the all-state linebacker led the Tigers with 120 total tackles, including 81 solo stops 40 tackles for a loss and seven quarterback sacks.

Adkins, a 6-2, 240-pound, senior, will add another line to his resume this season when he makes the move to

quarterback. "Cayden defines hard work," said Sieving. "He has out himself in a great place and I honestly think he will be an even better player this season than he was a year ago due to his hard work. He will be our starting quarterback this season, but will probably move around some on offense to other spots, and is also one of our leaders on defense and attacks the ball."

The Tigers are much more than just a two-man show; however, and have a pair of college prospects in seniors Jacob Watkins and Emmanuel Cooks. Watkins is a 6-1, 220-pound linebacker/wing back, that had over 100 tackles a year ago, while Cooks, a 6-4, 290-pound, offensive/ defensive lineman, is a dominant force on both sides of the ball.

"Jacob verv knowledgeable about the game and is the smartest player I have ever coached," continued Sieving. "He is a true student of the game, but at the same time brings an intensity and fire onto the field and is a violent tackler. Emmanuel has all the physical tools to dominant the game and has the technique that helps make him a truly dominant high school football player."

While the offensive line will be led by Cooks and will include size and strength all across the front in Logan Horton (220), Michael Remley (265), Matthew McCart (240) and Elijah Myrick (273), Coach Sieving admits the line is an area of concern heading into the season.

"The offensive line is an area of concern," admitted Sieving, "because we have three new guys lining up as starters for the first time. They are all working hard and progressing, and have been in our program since junior high. So, it is their time to step in and they are ready."

Other players to look for on offense include wingback Skylar Mitchell (175), blocking backs Tyceson Davis (175) and Cassidy Carpenter (195), wide-receivers Brady Johnson (196) and Trai Davis (176), and tight-end Hakeem Scott (206).

The Tiger defense will be anchored by a pair of returning starters in inside-linebackers Cayden Adkins and Jacob Watkins, while also expected to play important roles at the linebacker position are Jacob Watkins (145), Tyceson Davis and Mapeo Jimenez (145). The line will

be anchored by Emmanuel Cooks, with Hakeem Scott, Michael Remley, Matthew McCart and Logan Horton all expected to rotate in. The secondary will return Brady Johnson, with others expected to see action to include Trai Davis, Jerrod Anderson (150), Ladel Ousley (160) and Reggie

Gilbert (160). Elba lost two-time allstate placekicker Alex Wisecup and punter Bradyen Johnson to graduation, but look for Brady Johnson to fill the void at punter and Trai Davis to handle kickoff chores. Both will combine to handle extra-point and field-goal chores.

"We know we will face a tough region schedule and a very tough non-region schedule," added Sieving. "However, we have a goal and know what it will take to reach that goal, and will take it one game at a time and remain focused on being the best we can be every time we take the field. We have lost four games over the last three years. with three of the four losses coming in the post-season, and we are determined to be successful and this year takes that next and become state champions."

# 2024 Schedule

Aug. 23 at, Luverne Aug. 30 Glenwood Sept. 6 McKenzie Sept. 13 Kinston Sept. 20 at, Brantley Sept. 27 Goshen Oct. 4 at, Red Level Oct. 11 at, Pl. Home Oct. 18 Georgiana Oct. 25 Florala



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ENJOYING HEARTY BREAKFAST AND CONVERSATION...Classmates and friends of the Elba High School Class of 1966 gathered Tuesday morning, Aug. 13, at Ms. Linda's in downtown Elba for breakfast and fellowship. All reportedly had a great time! Those present included: Sara Warr Strong, Eddie Thompson, Neal Hutto, David Blackmon, Jerome Blackmon, Terry Calhoun, Harry Young, Kenneth Baker, Jackey Tindol, Bobby Edmondson, Butch Oggs, and John Lawless.

# Two from local area make Provost's List at Troy University

Troy University recently released the names of students who had made the Provost's List for the summer semester and Term 5 of the 2023-2024 academic year.

Full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade point average of at least 3.65 qualify for the Provost's List. The summer semester includes students at the Troy, Ala., campus. Term 5 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with locations outside of Alabama and online.

Locally, Britton Coppage of Elba, and Allison Williams of New Brockton were named to the list.





LOCAL PHYSICIAN SPEAKS AT ELBA LIONS CLUB MEETING...Dr. Lance K. Dyess served as the guest speaker for the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Elba Lions Club meeting. Pictured above with several of the club members, Dr. Dyess provided a very inspiring and unwavering dedication/compassionate care message.

